

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, December 15, 1730.

From the French Amsterdam Gazette, Dec. 12.

Vienna, Nov. 29.

THE Pope's Order for allowing the Imperial Troops free Passage through the Ecclesiastick State, bears in Substance, That in Consideration of the Regard which Catholic Potentates have always testified for the Patrimony of St. Peter, in maintaining its Rights and Privileges, conformably to the Divine Laws; his Holiness therefore, considering the present Situation of Affairs, does grant free Passage to the Emperor's Forces thro' the Ecclesiastick State, in their way to Lombardy and Naples; under these exprefs Conditions, That Commissaries be mutually appointed to regulate the public Magazine; That the Troops do observe exact Discipline; and above all, That the Officers and Soldiers who are not Roman-Catholicks, shall pay the Respect due to Churches and other religious Places.

Stockholm, Nov. 25. The King has ordered an Edict to be published at Cassel, discharging all his Subjects to list themselves in Foreign Service, and requiring all such as have already done so, to return Home in 3 Months.

Hamburg, Decem. 8. They write from Copenhagen, that the King has ordered a List to be made out and sent up to Court, of all the Prisoners in the Danish Dominions, that an Act of Grace may be shewn at his Majesty's Coronation.

Dusseldorp, Decem. 5. The Jews of Metz are buying up vast Numbers of Horses in the County of Bergues, for the French Service.

Cleves, Decem. 10. His Polish Majesty has sent a Company of Comedians to Moscow, to divert her Czarish Majesty.

The last Letters from Hanover bear, that tho' they had not yet received Account of the March of the Prussian Troops, in quality of Troops of Execution; yet they had thought proper to march 3 Regiments of Foot and one of Dragoons into the Territories of Hildesheim. But we hope this new Difference betwixt the Chaptre and the Old Magistrates of the New City, and that betwixt the Ci-

tizens of the New City and the Convent of St. Michael, will be adjusted, and fresh Troubles prevented.

Brussels, Decem. 7. The changing of the Garrisons of these Countries is now finally settled, and by the List it appears, that a general Augmentation may be made of the Troops quartered in the Austrian Netherlands. Observe, that every Imperial Regiment of Cuirassiers or Dragoons consists at least of 6 Squadrons and a Troop of Carabineers or Grenadiers; and every Foot Regiment, of 3 Battallions and 2 Companies of Grenadiers. No Change is to be made in the Garrison of Luxemburg which consists of 14 Battallions and 12 Squadrons.

Rome, Nov. 18. The 14th the Chevalier de St. George and the Prince his eldest Son paid a Visit to the Pope, and were graciously received. After which the Major domo invited them to his Apartment, where they were magnificently regaled.

Wye's Letter Verbatim, London, Decem. 10.

Since our last arrived a Mail from France, and one from Holland.

LAST Night the Sessions ended at the Old Bailey, when fifteen Malefactors received Sentence, of which thirteen were for Robberies on the Highway. Hollowell, the Beadle of the Sadlers Company, of between 60 and 70 Years of Age, was, for attempting to commit Sodomy upon William Huggins, sentenced to stand in the Pillory before the Cathedral of St. Paul's, fined 40 l. and to suffer 6 Months Imprisonment; and William Huggins, for permitting the same, to stand in the Pillory, and suffer 8 Months Imprisonment. The noted Roger Johnson was tried for a Street-robbery, in stealing a Hat and Wig from an Officer to the Sheriff of Middlesex in Chancery Lane, when he lately attempted to make his Escape, and acquitted.

'Tis assured, that a Reprieve was sent this Week to Ireland for Mr. Porter and Mr. Johnson, convicted for the Murder of Patrick Murphey, and who were ordered for Execution on Saturday next.

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We have the good News to acquaint you with, in relation to the Affair of the Incendiaries, which came Yesterday in a private Letter from the Devizes, and is as follows.

Devizes, Dec. 7. Late last Night, one of our Corporation had the Courage to seize two Fellows suspected to be Incendiaries; upon which our Mayor and Justice Eyles were called out of their Beds to examine them; which they did very strictly, keeping them apart all the Time: During which they confessed not only their own Guilt, but have made ample Discoveries of their Accomplices, and particularly the Villain who set Fire to Mr. Packer's House at Bristol, whom they named, described, told where he lodged in Bath; and that he told one of them, that if Mr. Packer rebuilt his House, he would burn it again; and if one Attempt failed, he would try till he had done it. About 2 this Morning, our Magistrates sent 3 Men to Bath to seize him; and now we are all waiting for their Return, not doubting but if they meet with him, to get the Bottom of this vile Scheme. They have both signed their Confession, which is very long, and I hear will be sent up to the Secretaries of State."

A private Letter from Bristol of the same Date, brings an Account of the Villain who burnt Mr. Packer's House, being brought thither from Bath, and that he was under strict Examination of the Magistrates there when the Post came away.

Letters today from South Carolina of the 30th of September, advise, That on Saturday Night before the Date, a bloody Tragedy was to have been executed by the Negroes, who had conspired to rise and destroy the Inhabitants; to which End they proposed their rising in a great Body, and giving the Blow at once: And accordingly vast Numbers of them assembled at the back of the Town, and had a great Dance, and expected the Country Negroes to join them; and that had not an overruling Providence discovered their Intrigues, the Inhabitants would have been all in Blood, there being in the whole Province about 28,000 Negroes, to 3000 Whites; the chief of them, and some others, are apprehended, and in Irons. Those from Boston of the 19th October relate, that the Disputes betwixt Governor Belcher and the General Assembly, about settling on him a Salary of 1.000 a Year, run as high as with the late Governor Burnet.

Private Letters from Cadiz, by the French Mail,

of the 28th past, advise, That the Sickness still continued there, and that the Flota's Effects were not yet delivered, no Indulto being fixed upon them. Mean time it is talk'd, that Advices are come by Way of Cadiz, that the Fair of Portobello is not to be held till March next: So that if this be true, the South Sea Company's annual Ship will be Time enough to dispose of her Cargo there.

Mr. Roberts the Chymist, has procured a Patent for the better and more effectual extracting, by certain Ingredients prepared for the Purpose, and never practised before, of Silver out of Lead-ore; which it is expected will be of great Benefit to the Publick, with regard to its Currency, and Multiplication of its Species, the Vitals of Trade.

From the Daily Post-Boy, Dec. 10.

Extract of a private Letter from Paris.

It is thought worthy of Remark, that the Marquis de Castelar, Plenipotentiary of Spain, was at Marli almost all the while the Court was there; and that the King ordered him a stately Apartment.

The Brothers Paris are returned here insensibly, and are secretly employed in the most important Affairs, but without any Character.

The Court of Spain is most impatient for the Execution of the Seville Treaty, and are even making Preparations to act alone next Spring, in case they should be abandoned by their Allies. For this Purpose, they even threaten to make use of the Effects of the Flotilla in prosecuting the War with the Emperor.

Extract of a Letter from Madrid.

The English, as is pretended, have abused the Communication that was open'd between Gibraltar and the Country, by carrying on a barefac'd contraband Trade; so that the Spaniards have again shut up that Communication, by posting Guards in their Lines, which they have repaired and fortified; and Engineer Verboom is to draw the Plan of a Fort to command the whole Plain. Mr. Keene having Information of all this, went to see how the Spaniards ordered it, and on his Return to Court, complain'd to them: But what Answer he had, we know not; only he has wrote an Account of the whole to his Court, and there we shall leave it.

Vienna, Nov. 30. The Minister of the Porte at this Court, has assured Prince Eugene, that the late Revolution at Constantinople shall no ways affect the Emperor.

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Extract of a private Letter from Vienna.

The Ministers of this Court have got a Story by the End from Paris, as if the Keeper of the Seals, in the Absence of the Cardinal de Fleury, had acquainted Count Koningsek, the Emperor's Ambassador, that the Marquis de Castellar desired to have a Conference with him, in relation to a certain Affair he had in Commission from his Catholick Majesty; and that those two Ministers had a secret Conference at the Keeper of the Seals accordingly; which coming to the Knowledge of the Ministers of England and Holland, they complained thereof to the Keeper of the Seals, and told him, such secret Proceedings seemed to them to clash with the good Intelligence which had been mutually preserved. But the Keeper of the Seals (they say) gave them an Answer, with which they appeared well satisfied; though it is very much to be questioned, whether there is not some Seed of Jealousy and Disturbance blown from a Conference of so great Importance.

Some People here would persuade us, the Courts of London and Berlin are at greater Variance than ever; and that Count Degenfelt will shortly follow Mynheer Reichenbach, without taking Leave of the Court of England. But perhaps they may be mistaken.

London, Decem. 10. The General Council which was to have been held Yesterday, is put off till next Thursday, when 'tis expected a Proclamation will be ordered, summoning the Parliament to meet about the Middle of next Month.

From the Evening Posts, Decem. 8.

Berlin, Decem. 2. Our Troops having been duly exercised for these 6 Months past, appear in excellent good Order, and are actually ready to assemble in 24 Hours at farthest.

Munich, Decem. 4. Yesterday our Elector reviewed his Troops on the Plain near this City, and they are soon to be augmented with 2000 Men, that so they may be the better spared, should the Emperor have Occasion for them.

Brussels, Decem. 9. Yesterday the Archduchess held a Council at the Castle, at the Issue whereof a Courier was dispatched to Vienna. The Emperor's Troops in this Country are augmenting with all possible Speed, that they may be ready to act when Occasion requires.

Paris, Decem. 16. The Palace of St. Germain's en Laye is furnishing, but we cannot learn for what

Prince's Residence.

Amsterdam, Decem. 15. Letters from Hildesheim of the 6th Inst. say, that the Subdelegate Commissioners of Prussia and Wolfenbuttle had that Day opened their Commission; and that Mr. Insinger, a famous Advocate, came there the Day before from Hanover, with a Notary, to take care of the Interests of that City; and to protest, if Occasion should be, to any Thing which may be ordered to its Prejudice.

London, Decem. 10. His Majesty has been pleased to make a Grant to Col. Chartris for all his Estate and Effects forfeited to the Crown by his late Conviction for a Rape; and last Monday a Patent passed the proper Seals for that Purpose.

Brigadier Newton, who had a Regiment at Gibraltar, is dead.

Two of the Knight-Marshal's Men at a Time are commanded to attend her Majesty when she goes abroad; for which additional Duty, their Salaries are advanced from 18 to 38l. per annum each.

We are assured from Eye-witnesses of the Fact, that the Well-head of the Harbour of Dunkirk has been demolished, and the Stones and Rubbish thrown into the Channel, whereby the Course of the Current has been so much interrupted, and thereby wreck'd up with Sand, that Vessels of the smallest Burden cannot enter the Harbour without great Hazard.

A few Days ago, a very unhappy and unusual Accident happened at St. Alban's, viz. one Anne Elliot, a Farmer's Daughter, being soon to be married to a Gardener near London, had dress'd herself to receive a Visit from her intended Spouse; being dress'd, she turned to view herself in the Glass, when her Foot slipping, she fell, and striking the Side of her Head against the Edge of a Chest of Drawers, was killed on the Spot.

Last Monday a threatening Letter was sent to Mr. Richard Fiennes, a Grocer in Moorfields, demanding 5 Guineas; the reading whereof so terrified his Wife, that she miscarried; and was delivered of a dead Child.

Glocester, Decem. 5. Mess. Edie and Trafford of the Parish of Lidney, reciev'd this Week threatening Letters, to the following Purpose:

Gentlemen,

" I would have you put 11 Guineas in the Mouth of your Sink under a Stone, or else God d—n your

" Blood!

"Blood we will burn your hous and all you have
 "next Munday-Nicht. You read 'im and burn
 "im G-d d--mn your Blood.

Northampton, Dec. 6. We were greatly alarmed
 last Thursday Night by the following Letters being
 thrown into the Yard of Mrs. Watts, a Gentle-
 woman of this Town.

This for Mrs. Watts.

Madam,

"This is to let you now that if you dont lay ten
 "Sellings under the Window or I will morder you
 "Be G-d and I will fire your House so lay it under
 "your Windo and put Moss over it.

Last Friday Night Mr. Barns, of Cotton-End
 near this Town, received the following Letter.

Sir,

4. Dec. 1730.

"May you not deny a Raysonable request of 5 l.
 "If you do, D--n you your Punishmen will be Exe-
 "cuted your Ordr to tell Mr Holins at the Post
 "tother Side the Bridge to put 50 l. with your 5 l.
 "upon the famous Post in the lane towards the
 "Cross. If its not done done by Tuesday nit 12
 "a Clock your Punishment shall be executed in
 "uairis ways."

They write from Witham in Essex, that 11 Va-
 grants were taken up there last Week, who had
 threatned to burn the House of Mr. Everard; five
 of whom were publickly whipt, three sent to the
 House of Correction, and three to the County Jail.

Last Sunday a Person well dress'd was seized at
 Kelvedon, and there were found upon him several
 threatening Letters, a List of all the Gentlemen in
 the Neighbourhood, a Brace of Pistols, and three
 Picklocks; and he was committed to Chelmsford
 Jail next Day.

Several Robberies have been attempted or com-
 mitted this Week; particularly on Monday Night
 a Gentleman was attacked by 2 Street Robbers op-
 posite to Mercers-hall; and tho' several Watch-
 men were in Sight at their Stand, they never came
 to his Assistance.

We hear the Court goes out of Mourning Sun-
 day next.

S. S. Stock, 10 7 8ths.

ADVERTISEMENT S.

By Order of the Honourable COMMISSIONERS of
 His Majesty's Customs:

These give Notice, That a Parcel of Bobea Tea, Brandy,
 Vineys and Arrack, lately seized, and condemned in the

Court of Exchequer in Martinmas Term last, is to be ex-
 posed to Sale at the Customhouse of Leith on Thursday next
 the 17th Instant, betwixt the Hours of 12 & 1. The Goods
 to be seen the Morning before the Sale, at Customhouse-
 Hours.

Exchequer, Nov. 19, 1730.

Notice is hereby given, by Order of the Right Honour-
 able the BARONS OF EXCHEQUER, That they have
 Adjourned the Sale of the Arrears or Rests of the Estate of
 William late Earl of Seaforth, to the Third Day of Febru-
 ary next 1731, in the EXCHEQUER COURT, at Twelve
 of the Clock. Particulars whereof, and of the Terms of
 Sale, are to be seen in the Hands of the Deputy-Remem-
 brancer.

W. BOWLES, D. R. R.

¶ That the Lands and Barony of LATHRISK, lying
 in the Parish of Kettle and Sherifffdom of Fife, holden Tax-
 ward of the Crown, of the yearly Rent of 183 Bolls 2 Fir-
 lots Bear, 204 Bolls Oats, L. 794 04 08 Scots of Money,
 18 Elis of Linen, 54 Hairs of Yarn, 32 Pounds of Butter,
 20 Geese, and 60 Capons, besides 260 Hens and Chickens
 not rental'd; having thereon a WOOD that cutsevery 20th
 Year, and yields 1000 Merks, and is at present within 5
 Years of cutting: Are to be exposed to Sale by a voluntar
 Roup, on Friday the 15th Day of January next, betwixt
 the Hours of 3 & 4 after Noon, within the House of Mrs.
 Herdman, in the Writers Court, Edinburgh. There is a
 considerable Quantity of Marsh Grounds in this Estate ve-
 ry improvable, that may be drain'd at little or no Expence.
 The Conditions of Roup, Rental and Progress, are to be
 seen in the Hands of DAVID MAULE Writer in Edin-
 burgh, at his Writing-chamber above John's Coffeehouse.

Just now come Home,

¶ A Parcel of exceeding Good and Large LIMONS,
 BITTER and SWEET ORANGES; to be Sold ei-
 ther in Chefts or Retail, at very reasonable Rates, by Mr.
 ARCHBALD SHEELS at his Shop at the Hand and Orange,
 below the Cross, Edinburgh, or at his Warehouse in Leith:
 At which Shop you may have good CHESNUTS and
 WALNUTS, fit either for Planting or Eating; Scots and
 Spanish Nuts, and all Kinds of Fruits in Season, Sugars,
 &c. and every Kind of Grocery Ware.

¶ That the Lands of CROSSWOODHILL, alias
 CORSETHILL, GREENBURN, and TODHILL, pay-
 ing L. 369 06 08 Scots of yearly Rent; Item, the Lands of
 NORTH and SOUTH-COBINSHAW, KEPSYKE,
 and BLACKHILL, paying of yearly Rent L. 646 06 08
 Scots, with several Casualties belonging to these Farms;
 being Parts of the Barony of MARJORIBANKS, alias
 WEST-CALDER, holding Blanche of the Crown; all lying
 within the Parish of West-Calder and Shire of Edinburgh:
 Are to be exposed to Sale, by publick-voluntary Roup,
 upon Monday the Eleventh Day of January next, in the
 House of Robert Brown Vintner in Edinburgh, betwixt the
 Hours of 3 & 4 after Noon, either in Wholesale or in two
 Parcels as above. The Progress of Writs, Rental of the
 Lands, and Conditions of Roup, to be seen in the Hands
 of Mr. WILLIAM ROBERTSON Writer in Edinburgh,
 at his House in the Assembly-clofe.

N. B. The Lands are to be entred to Sale at Twenty-
 one Years Purchase of the free Rent.

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